

FARMINGTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 7, 2004

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION/EAST CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Mayor David M. Connors, Council Members Richard Dutson, David Hale, Larry W. Haugen, Susan T. Holmes, Sidney C. Young. City Manager Max Forbush, and Deputy Recorder Jeane Chipman.

Mayor Connors began discussion at 6:30 P.M. The following items were reviewed:

- Mr. Forbush suggested that the current City Council members should be seated on the rostrum to consider the last meeting's minutes and until the newly elected Council Members received the Oath of Office.
- Adoption of Resolution Designating and Appointing City Statutory Officers (Agenda Item #4) was a required action to be taken by the City Council every two years.
- The Mayor would make presentations to honor the former Council Members and would also deliver the State of the City Report.
- Public Hearing: Consideration of General Plan Amendment expanding mixed use area of west Farmington near the Park Lane (Burke Lane) Interchange (Agenda Item #7) was discussed. Mr. Forbush stated the Planning Commission had recommended expanding the mixed use area on the west side of I-15.
- Public Hearing: Consideration of Ordinance amending the sign ordinance allowing the placement of Commercial/Recreation Signs/S&S Railroad (Agenda Item #8) was considered. The Mayor raised the issue of whether or not the ordinance would be valid for all commercial/recreation businesses in the City. City Council Members were concerned about the size of the sign being suggested by the S&S Railroad business.
- Presentation of FY 2003 Audit Report (Agenda Item #9) would include GASB 34 Report information.
- Farmington Ranches East Development Agreement (Agenda Item #10) had been reviewed by the City attorney. Mr. Petersen would have more information during the regular session.
- Farmington Creek Estates Development Agreement amendment proposal (Agenda Item #11) had been reviewed by the City Attorney. There were minor changes that

would be reviewed during the regular session. The proposed changes were not substantive.

- Agenda Item #12 requested that the City Council authorize a public hearing to consider the U.S. Forest Service proposal for a controlled burn south of Steed Canyon and the improvement to the fire break road on the Farmington hillsides.
- Consideration of traffic engineer's recommendation for a four-way stop at 1075 West Shepard lane (Agenda Item #13) had been initiated because of citizen complaint.
- UTA/Forty Municipalities "Draft" Master Interlocal Agreement (Agenda Item #15) pertained to the granting of limited rights to UTA to control the rail corridors from Payson to Brigham City. Mr. Forbush commented on the arduous task it had been to come to the draft agreement and that it would be a beneficial for the City Council to give it strong consideration at the next meeting.
- Resolution/Ordinance adopting new development/construction standards specifications (Agenda #16) was an action favorably anticipated by staff. Mr. Forbush stated the standards would be a great benefit to new developments and would aid City staff as they managed development in the City.
- Special Area Management Plan (SAMP) consultant recommendations (Agenda Item #17) would be postponed until a later meeting.

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL/CITY CHAMBERS/CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT: Mayor David M. Connors, Council Members David Hale, Robert Hasenyager, Larry W. Haugen, Edward Johnson, and Susan T. Holmes, City Manager Max Forbush, City Planner David Petersen, City Recorder Margy Lomax, and Deputy Recorder Jeane Chipman. Newly elected City Council Members Richard Dutson and Sidney C. Young were also present.

Mayor Connors called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Max Forbush offered the invocation and Larry Haugen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Bob Hasenyager moved to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2003, City Council Meeting as corrected. **Ed Johnson** seconded the motion. The voting was unanimous in the

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS LARRY W. HAUGEN, RICHARD DUTSON, AND SIDNEY C. YOUNG (Agenda Item #3)

City Recorder Margy Lomax administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Council Members Larry Haugen, Richard Dutson, and Sid Young.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING CITY STATUTORY OFFICERS (Agenda Item #4)

Mr. Forbush introduced the agenda item. By law, the City Council was required to appoint specific staff members as statutory officers to serve for two-year terms. They were:

City Manager, Max Forbush
City Recorder, Margy L. Lomax
City Treasurer, Gloria B. Anderson
Chief of Police, Wayne D. Hansen
Fire Chief, Larry A. Gregory
City Attorney, Michael J. Mazuran and the firm of Mazuran & Hayes, P.C.
City Engineer, Paul J. Hirst & Caldwell Richards and Sorensen Consulting Engineers

David Hale moved that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2004-01 a resolution designating and appointing certain officers of Farmington City, Utah, as statutory officers as indicated above. **Larry Haugen** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION HONORING FORMER CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND FORMER MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION (Agenda Item #5)

Mayor Connors presented former Council Members Bob Hasenyager and Ed Johnson with tokens of appreciation for their service to the City over their past terms of office. The Mayor commented regarding the tremendous asset they both had been to the City and its citizens. The two men had worked diligently on all projects undertaken by the Council and served on several sub committees such as the employment committee and the economic development committee. Mr. Hasenyager had come to the City Council after serving on the Planning Commission and had brought professional and devoted service to the City Council. Mr. Johnson had come to the Council after working audaciously on such projects as the sound wall installation in south Farmington, which in the end brought a unique and quality solution to the City's problem.

Mr. Hasenyager and Mr. Johnson both responded and commented that they had enjoyed their labors for the City and those with whom they had worked.

Mayor Connors introduced State Legislator Roger Barrus.

Mr. Barrus introduced himself and congratulated the new Council Members. He stated that he would like to be of service to the citizens of the City of Farmington while in his elected post.

Mayor Connors presented plaques to former members of the Planning Commission. Those honored were Linda Hoffman, Sid Young, Larry Jensen, and Kent Forsgren. The Mayor thanked members of the Planning Commission for their efforts and hard work. They often take the time to walk areas of consideration and hear much of the input given by citizens as they initially hear of potential City actions.

“STATE OF CITY” ADDRESS BY MAYOR DAVID M. CONNORS (Agenda Item #6)

The Mayor delivered his “State of the City” addresses, which he entitled “Patience Under Fire.” He spoke of the trials and challenges experienced by the City during the past year and how citizens, staff, and elected officials had faced those challenges with courage and determination. The complete text of the address is attached hereto.

PUBLIC HEARING: CONSIDERATION OF GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT EXPANDING MIXED USE AREA OF WEST FARMINGTON NEAR THE PARK LANE (BURKE LANE) INTERCHANGE (Agenda Item #7)

According to the staff report by David Petersen, on December 4, 2003, the Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider an extensive amendment to the General Plan. This involved new land use designations along the U.S. 89 corridor and several pages of revisions to Chapter 11 of the General Plan text in addition to an expanded mixed use area in west Farmington. The Planning Commission tabled the agenda item and elected to establish a working committee to review the proposed General Plan changes to better address the needs of the U.S. 89 corridor in conjunction with a TDR Ordinance soon to be considered by the City.

However, the Planning Commission did recommend that the City Council immediately amend the General Plan Future Land Use Map by increasing the size of the mixed use area in west Farmington. This recommendation was consistent with suggestions received by members of the City Council at the November 19, 2003, Economic Development Steering Committee meeting. The mixed use amended area would extend from Shepard Creek south of the Burke Lane area north to the northern branch of Spring Creek.

Mr. Petersen stated an area to the north of the commercial/mixed use area west of I-15 that had been suggested as a “transition area.” He also stated that the text of the General Plan over-rules the General Plan map.

Public Hearing

Mayor Connors opened the meeting to a public hearing.

Rich Haws (property owner in the area under consideration) asked if there was a defined use for the “Mixed Use” area and further, would it be described in the text of the General Plan.

Mr. Petersen stated that the none of the amended General Plan text had been finalized in detail as yet. He gave examples of possible general uses for some of the areas along the U.S. 89 corridor.

Mr. Haws referred to the study done by the Ross Group. He felt the study had supported a prioritization of commercial development for areas. Long-term development in areas other than west of I-15 would be acceptable, but to open that area to commercial development too early would be detrimental to the success of new areas in the west. He would like to have a dialogue with City officials before the General Plan text was finalized.

Mayor Connors stated that the east side of I-15 was not being considered at the current meeting. The focus of the current meeting was to considered the “purple” area west of I-15 and its use under the “Mixed Use” designation. The Mayor stated that a meeting with Mr. Haws to discuss the issues would be appropriate.

Public Hearing Closed

With no further comments, **Mayor Connors** closed the public hearing and asked the Council Members for their consideration.

Motion

After a brief discussion, **Susan Holmes** moved that the City Council approve Ordinance No. 2004-02, an ordinance amending the Farmington City Comprehensive General Plan Future Land Use Map by designating that certain areas northwest of a southerly branch of Shepard Creek and southeast of a northerly wetland tributary (Spring Creek) in west Farmington between I-15 and the old D.R.G. & W. R.R. tracks from “Rural Residential Density” to “Mixed Use.” **Sid Young** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING: CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SIGN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE PLACEMENT OF COMMERCIAL/RECREATION SIGNS/ S & S RAILROAD (Agenda Item #8)

Mr. Petersen reported that on December 4, 2003, the Planning Commission approved a recommendation to the City Council to amend the Sign Ordinance to allow for the possibility of placing signs for commercial recreation uses in the public right-of-way. The Planning Commission determined that this action would support a unique Farmington business and enhance the tourism potential for the City. Mr. Petersen described the locations that had been suggested for the signs. He

also reported that although the Planning Commission had recommended the ordinance amendment and had discussed locations of possible signs, they had not seen the actual sign suggested by the S&S Railroad business. The Planning Commission should have the opportunity to review the suggested sign.

Public Hearing

Mayor Connors opened the meeting to a public hearing.

Public Hearing Closed

With no forthcoming comments, **Mayor Connors** closed the public hearing. He suggested that the Council may not have received a complete recommendation from the Planning Commission. He asked the Council what they would like to do.

Susan Holmes suggested that the Planning Commission may want to consider a specific type design for all approved City signs. Other communities had developed a consistent sign design for specific needs.

David Hale had concerns about placing signs in some high traffic areas which impacted safety and aesthetics. The S&S Train business had recommended a very large sign that would be placed in locations in the City that he felt may not be appropriate.

Larry Haugen felt that approving the specific S&S Train sign without consideration of a broader application would open the door for other businesses in the City. He felt if the City approved some signs they should be small, directional signs on a limited basis.

Mr. Petersen requested City Council direction regarding Section 15-2-110 (exempt signs). He wondered if the commercial signs should be approved as one of the exempt signs. He also stated that the Planning Commission, as a separate issues, had recommended locations if signs should be approved.

Mr. Hale stated that the City Council was in support of the S&S Train business. The sign issue was a separate issue.

The issue died for lack of a motion.

Mayor Connors stated that if Mr. Flanders would like to meet with a subcommittee of the City Council for a discussion of his concerns, that would be acceptable.

PRESENTATION OF FY 2003 AUDIT REPORT/KEITH JOHNSON AND ULRICH & ASSOCIATES (Agenda Item #9)

Keith Johnson presented the agenda item. He distributed the audit report to members of the City Council. The report was larger than previous years because of the new GASB 34 requirements for the report. He introduced Charles Ulrich, auditor.

Charles Ulrich stated that Farmington had chosen to implement the GASB 34 Report a year earlier than required. The GASB 34 Report is a required new standard of reporting the financials statements of the City in a way substantially different than from previous audit reports. The new way of reporting shows City government functions as a business. He stated that next year auditors would be required to use new audit standards to look for fraud within City financial activities. There were no recommendations for improving the City's financial internal control procedures mentioned in the Management Letter. The City has been doing a good job. Financial balances in most funds were pleasing to the Governing Body.

Michael Ulrich covered the details of the audit report. He referred to the auditors' opinion, which stated that the City had obtained a "clean opinion" report. Michael Ulrich went through highlights of the report page by page and responded to questions and comments by the City Council.

Motion

Larry Haugen moved that the City Council accept the audit report as presented. **Susan Holmes** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

FARMINGTON RANCHES EAST DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT/FIRST READING (Agenda Item #10)

Mr. Petersen introduced the agenda item. He reviewed the changes as requested by the Farmington Ranches East developers. He recommended approval of the changes asked for by the developer because after staff review the changes were deemed acceptable. The Planning Commission had more work to do before final consideration by the City Council. It will likely be ready by the City Council meeting on the 21st of January.

FARMINGTON CREEK ESTATES DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT PROPOSAL (Agenda Item #11)

Mr. Petersen stated that the further development of the later phases of the Farmington Creek Estates had not been allowed because of the restriction placed upon the property by the original agreement, wherein was stated the developer must first obtain a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) or a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency

(FEMA). Meetings had been called by Davis County Public Works and attended by the developer and City officials. Davis County appears willing to improve the Farmington Creek channel which, when completed should allow the developers to move forward. Stream corridor management and improvements are planned which could protect the surrounding area from flooding. Striking the immediate LOMR requirement allows the developer to move forward. A CLOMR would still be required. The developer is near obtaining the CLOMR. By the time the final phase is developed the LOMR would be required.

Mr. Forbush reported that as the County reroutes and improves portions of Farmington Creek it would also like to rebuild the bridge at Glover's Lane and to construct a new bridge at 1100 West/500 South. Negotiations are still needed regarding funding and construction responsibilities.

Motion

David Hale moved that the City Council adopt the amendments to the Development Agreement for the Farmington Ranches East Subdivision as presented. **Larry Haugen** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

AUTHORIZATION TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT FOR JANUARY 21ST CITY COUNCIL MEETING IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE PROPOSAL FOR (1) A CONTROLLED BURN SOUTH OF STEED CANYON; AND (2) IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FIRE BREAK ROAD FROM FARMINGTON CANYON TO LUND LANE (Agenda Item 12)

Mr. Forbush stated that Federal officials had requested a public scoping meeting on these two proposals. There would be three separate public meetings conducted by the U. S. Forest Service -- one in Farmington, one in Centerville, and one at the Davis County Courthouse. Farmington City had been asked to facilitate the public hearing for its citizens. Mr. Forbush reported that the City's Fire Chief was in favor of the controlled burn and improvements to the fire break road for the future protection of the City.

Mayor Connors asked that the word be spread widely throughout the City so that citizens could be well represented during the hearing. He suggested that either the City or the Forest Service put out a press release about the event in addition to notices mailed to citizens.

Motion

Sid Young moved that the City Council authorize holding a public hearing on January 21, 2004, for the purpose of receiving public input regarding the proposed controlled burn and improvements to the fire break road in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service . **Rick Dutson** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

CONSIDERATION OF TRAFFIC ENGINEER'S RECOMMENDATION FOR A FOUR-WAY STOP AT 1075 WEST SHEPARD LANE (Agenda Item #13)

Mr. Forbush introduced the agenda item. Packet information indicated that action was being considered as a result of requests from several citizens during the month of November wanting to have 1075 West opened. The Mayor, City Manager, and the traffic engineer met with the interested parties and UDOT officers. UDOT officials agreed to allow the area to be studied and were willing to have the area signed for a four-way stop if it met all traffic criteria, which it has done.

Mr. Hale wanted to affirm that the request was being made by Farmington citizens and was not the result of Kaysville residents wanting to use the route. According to Mr. Forbush Farmington residents and property owners were making the request.

Council Members discussed safety issues that may be improved by a four-way stop implementation. The success of the four-way stop could be evaluated as time goes on and changed or moderated if necessary.

Mr. Young raised his concern that traffic would likely back up in the area during high traffic times because many drivers are not aware of how to use four-way stops.

Mr. Forbush said that according to the traffic engineer the four-way stop would be effective.

Motion

Rick Dutson moved that the City Council authorize the City Manager to have the four-way stop improvements installed at 1075 West Shepard Lane. **Larry Haugen** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

MINUTE MOTION APPROVING BUSINESS OF CONSENT (Agenda Item #14)

Susan Holmes moved that the City Council approve the following items by consent as follows:

1. Ratification of Approvals of Construction Bond Agreements.
2. Approval of December's Disbursement List.
3. Approval of the 2004 Animal Control Services Agreement with Davis County.

4. Approval of Improvements Escrow Agreement with Patriot Capital regarding Tuscany Cove. This improvement agreement is a bond agreement to assure that public improvements will be completed in Tuscany Cove Subdivision.
5. Authorization for Leisure Services Department to make additional expenditures for the Community Center. The City Manager recommended the purchase of the items because they were essential to the operation of the Center. The initial cost estimate was \$4,479.00. Viola Kinney had been able to bring the costs down before prices increased. The new actual cost will be \$4,479.00, about a \$500 savings. The Valco Restaurant Equipment Company requires a purchase requisition just to hold the equipment before the delivery date. Hence, included in the packet was a purchase requisition that was authorized by Ms. Kinney to be signed upon approval by the City manager.
6. Authorization for Fire Department to purchase air bags from the Ambulance Fund. The City Manager and Finance Director recommended approval because there was a significant balance in the ambulance fund to purchase the needed equipment.
7. Approval of Change Order Request #5 for the Community Center.
8. Approval of URMMA's request authorizing Mayor Connors to sign the "rejection of Under insured Coverage" form. URMMA stands for Utah Risk Management Mutual Association. The City buys all of its insurance through this organization. It is governed by a Board of Directors who review coverages. The present under insured coverage is a duplicate coverage and not required.
9. Authorization for Mayor Connors and City Manager Forbush to seek Davis County approval of "Assignment of Improvements Agreement" to Farmington City. There were a number of improved properties in the west Farmington area that were developed prior to annexation. During that time Davis county required extension agreements to require property owners or their assigns responsibility to install public improvements after receiving notice. Unfortunately, these agreements are in the name of "Davis county." The City Attorney is suggestion these agreements be assigned to Farmington City. The Mayor and City Manager meet on a quarterly basis with the County Commission Chair Person and others. It would be an appropriate time to make the request.
10. Approval of City Manager's recommendation for David Petersen and himself to represent City on Wasatch Front Regional Council Advisory Committees. It was recommended that Mr. Forbush be the primary person responsible to attend the Transcom meeting with Mr. Petersen filling in a secondary role, and to appoint David Petersen to serve on the long-term planning committee. Mr. Forbush would serve as secondary role in that assignment.

David Hale seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

UTA/FORTY MUNICIPALITIES “DRAFT” MASTER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND ASSOCIATED RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE GRANTING OF LIMITED RIGHTS TO UTA TO CONTROL THE RAIL CORRIDORS FROM PAYSON TO BRIGHAM CITY (Agenda Item #15)

Packet information indicated that UTA and the League of Cities and Towns as well as the 40 municipalities involved want to try to have this document approved by all municipalities by the end of January 2004. The City Manager had attend meetings pertaining to the negotiated Master Interlocal Agreement, and it had not been an easy agreement to complete. Many city attorneys, UTA, and League and city advisors had been heavily involved in the drafting of the document. The city Manager believed that those involved had done an excellent job in trying to capture common needs of the municipalities and other agencies involved. Mr. Forbush believed it was a good agreement and should be ready for adoption absent any major concerns from the Governing Body.

Mr. Forbush presented the agenda item. He described the process which had transpired to produce the resolution as presented. City Attorney had reviewed the proposed agreement and had made suggestions in a letter dated January 5, 2004. Mr. Forbush asked for concerns or suggestions from the City Council. The waiver of fees by both the cities and UTA is part of the interlocal agreement and was acceptable to participating cities.

Mayor Connors stated that it would be an advantage to Farmington City to consider the proposed interlocal agreement rather than having the State dictate conditions regarding the rail corridor through the City.

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE ADOPTING NEW DEVELOPMENT/CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS SPECIFICATION (Agenda Item #16)

Information prepared for the packet indicated that the City’s development standards and engineering specifications for City public improvements usually installed by developers are antiquated and need to be revised. The City Engineer, with assistance of key City department heads, had been working on this for the past year. The City Engineer and key staff members were now ready to present documents to the Governing body regarding development standards and engineering specifications. The documents were voluminous in nature and were written in technical language and illustrated by engineering drawings. The documents covered many, many specifications and details that could be adopted in the following fashion:

1. It was recommended that the City Council adopt the 2002 edition of the *Manual of Standard Specifications* published by the American Public Works Association and its associated manual of *Standard Plans, 2002 Edition*, also published by the

American Public Works Association. These reference books should be adopted with some modifications.

2. The City should actually adopt as part of the City standards, those items in the above-referenced manuals applicable to Farmington City. Those items were included on the "Index to Farmington Standard Details" sheet enclosed in the packet.
3. City staff recommended that along with the adoption of the applicable Farmington standards desired from the APWA books, that the City also adopt a special provision section that had been prepared by the City engineers. The outline was in the page entitled, "Index to Farmington's Standards Details" enclosed in the packet. A Special Provision section of the documents was also included. The section included many new NPDES standards (storm water standards) and also contained sections pertaining to decorative street lighting and fiber optics details. The section would include a subdivision check list and the Farmington City rainfall intensity curves. Most of this information was intended for professional engineers and developers to use as they draw plans to later be reviewed by the City Engineers for compliance.

Mr. Forbush stated that the agenda item was for the information of the City Council for requested future action.

Mayor Connors asked about information regarding standards for sound walls, berms, and/or landscaping and/or property to accommodate these improvements.

Mr. Forbush said he would check with the City Attorney to see if such information should be specifically included in the document.

SPECIAL AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN (SAMP) CONSULTANT RECOMMENDATIONS **(Agenda Item #17)**

It was intended that the study area would be the mixed use area north of the new City shops from I-15 west to the D&RG tracks. The SAMP study would map wetlands and give recommendations on how those wetlands may be consolidated to create drainage corridors. Such a plan would enable the City to have an Army Corps of Engineers approved plan to guide development that occurs in the area.

The agenda item was not quite ready for consideration by the City Council and therefore was postponed.

APPOINTMENTS TO NEW CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL (Agenda Item #18)

Mr. Forbush reported that in December of 2003, the City Council approved the creation of a Cultural Arts Council. The creation documents called for a seven-member council.

Ms. Holmes stated that she and Viola Kinney had interviewed the candidates presented in the packet. The people had expertise in a variety of areas. The Cultural Arts Council would be a hands-on, working body for the initial period, thus requiring a large time commitment. As the Cultural Arts Council becomes experienced and the policies and procedures are refined, the work load may decrease somewhat.

Motion

Susan Holmes moved to authorize the Mayor to appoint Linda Wallace, Lisa Safeer, Toni J. Asay, Linda Short, Chadley Anderson, Soni Muller, and Treion Muller to the new Cultural Arts Council. **Rick Dutson** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote. Susan Holmes reported that Max Forbush had suggested that the previously adopted policies regarding the Cultural Arts Council be minute motion be formally adopted by Resolution. The City Manager said he would have the resolution prepared.

FUTURE CITY COUNCIL TRAINING/ORIENTATION/GOAL SETTING SESSIONS (Agenda Item #19)

Mr. Forbush suggested that the City Council set the dates of January 23rd and 24th for a training/orientation/goal setting meeting. The department heads of the City and all spouses would also be invited to attend. Mr. Forbush discussed a potential agenda.

The “Local Government Day” at the State Legislature was discussed. Those who can attend were asked to inform Margy Lomax.

MISCELLANEOUS**Snow removal issues**

Mr. Haugen reported that the sidewalk on the east side of 600 North needed to be cleared. It was a City frontage that should be maintained by the Public Works Department.

Because of the traffic flow congestion near the bridge reconstruction on the “S” curve on Main Street, Mr. Haugen suggested that UDOT officials be contacted to see if there could be better snow removal in that area.

Mr. Forbush reported that UDOT officials had informed the City that they wished to close Main Street at the “S” curve for a month while they finish the reconstruction. Farmington City officials were adamantly opposed because the route was the only way to get north and south at that point through the City.

The Mayor and Mr. Young both commented on the great job of snow removal done by Public Works during the recent snowstorms. Many cities do not remove snow in cul-de-sacs, and Farmington citizens were grateful that its Public Works Department does so. Mr. Hokanson will be present during the next City Council meeting to report regarding the Public Works efforts during the storms. There will also be a discussion regarding garbage removal.

Commemorative pins

Ms. Holmes reported on information gathered regarding the design and price of pins for the art center. The design of the pins will be coordinated with pins already used by the City. The approximate cost for 1000 pins would be around \$1000. It was hoped that the cost could be recouped by sales. The City Council gave approval to move forward with the plans by consensus.

League conference in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Holmes reported there would be a conference of the National League of Cities and Towns in Washington, D.C. She asked if the Council would like her to attend. She had been invited as a member of the Utah League of Cities & Towns Policy Committee. She was asked to prepare a proposal of what could be accomplished during the meetings.

Welcome to newly elected Council Members

The Mayor and other City Council members welcomed Mr. Dutson and Mr. Young. A discussion ensued regarding policies for handling citizen comments and complaints. It was stated that decisions were made by the Council as a whole and no individual should make commitments to citizens before consultation with the entire governing body. When maintenance or other similar issues were raised, such could be passed on to the City Manager during the City Council meeting. If they were of an emergency nature, Mr. Forbush could be contacted at the office. The City staff was always willing to respond to questions and problems.

Street lights throughout the City

A brief discussion was held regarding street lighting and installation responsibilities. Mr. Forbush stated that such installation was driven by Utah Power and Light and City standards. New, improved standards were currently under consideration which will require developers to install appropriate lighting for all new developments.

Issues impacting 1500 West

Mr. Forbush reported that the first phase of the S.I.D. requiring curb, gutter, and sidewalk along 1500 West had been initiated. The project included the installation of a concrete waterway going from east to west across the street. The City had planned to regrade the road to match the lip of the waterway. The final regrading had not yet occurred. Rather than remove asphalt and gravel, staff thought it best to install a temporary grade transition thus avoiding disrepair during the winter months. Numerous motorists had called complaining about the dip and damage caused to their cars. Hence, there was a decision made by staff after consulting with Mayor Connors and Council Member Hale to close the road temporarily. Traffic engineering issues still need to be resolved and a final fix implemented. Meantime, the road is closed and a detour has been routed through the subdivision until spring when weather will permit a permanent fix.

Joint meeting between the City Council and the Planning Commission

Mr. Rich Haws had requested a joint meeting between the City Council and the Planning Commission and with RDA specialists. It was decided that both bodies should remain knowledgeable about the project. The meeting was set for February 12th at 5:30 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Larry Haugen moved that the City Council adjourn at 10:20 P.M. to closed session for the purpose of discussing strategy as it relates to pending litigation. **David Hale** seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

At 10:30 p.m. a motion was made by **David Hale** to go back into open session. The motion was seconded by **Susan Holmes** and was voted on unanimously.

A motion was made by **Larry Haugen** with a second by **David Hale** to authorize the City Manager to resolve any claims for damages up to a maximum payment of \$500.00 resulting from the dip at 1500 West. The motion passed by a unanimous vote in favor.

There being no further business to come before the Council and upon motion by **David Hale** the meeting was adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

Margy Lomax, City Recorder